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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), petition is made for a three (3) month extension of time to file a Request for Continued Examination in response to the office action which was due September 28, 2004, the Request now being due December 28, 2004. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$490.00 for the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any further extension and/or fee that is required to Deposit Order Account 19-0079.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EV5358540255US addressed to the: Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA

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